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SUBJECT: US-ROMANIAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL

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1. COUNCIL CHAIRMAN HAUGE HAS ASKED DEPARTMENT IF AMBASSADOR BARNES WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO BRIEF US MEMBERS OF US-ROMANIAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL (ABOUT 40) AT 5:00 P.M. MAY 30. HAUGE INDICATED COUNCIL WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY FOR RECEPTION AT 7:00 P.M. IN WHICH US COUNCIL MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS AND LIMITED NUMBER OF SENIOR ROMANIAN OFFICIALS INVOLVED WITH COUNCIL WOULD PARTICIPATE.

2. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER AMBASSADOR ABLE TO GIVE BRIEFING AND HOST RECEPTION FOR GROUP AT TIMES INDICATED.

3. HAUGE HAS RESPONDED DIRECTLY TO VOLOSENIUC VIA LETTER APRIL 15 REGARDING AGENDA. COPIES THIS AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE BEING POUCHED BY DEPARTMENT TO EMBASSY APRIL 29. SUGGEST EMBASSY CHECK WITH VOLOSENIUC TO INSURE HE HAS RECEIVED COUNCIL PROPOSAL. HAUGE PROPOSES THREE PRIMARY REPORTS BY EACH SIDE COVERING US-ROMANIAN JOINT VENTURES; EXPORT-IMPORT OPPORTUNITIES, AND LEGAL RESTRAINTS TO TRADE.

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4. HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR 35 DOUBLES STILL SATISFACTORY FOR COUNCIL. WILL ADVISE OF ANY ADDITIONAL REQUESTS.

5. COUNCIL HAS POLLED MEMBERSHIP REGARDING VISITS DESIRED PRIOR TO OR FOLLOWING SESSION. HAS ADVISED TANASE THAT REQUESTS WILL BE FORWARDED DURING SECOND WEEK OF MAY. DEPARTMENT WILL KEEP IN TOUCH WITH CHAMBER AND ADVISE EMBASSY PROMPTLY OF ANY SPECIAL REQUESTS. THUS FAR TWO REQUESTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. PERSONS HOPE APPOINTMENTS COULD BE ARRANGED FOR MAY 30-JUNE 1 DURING TIMES WHICH WOULD NOT CONFLICT WITH COUNCIL SESSIONS.

6. CHARLES SMITH PRESIDENT OF SIFCO INDUSTRIES AND CHAIRMAN OF BOARD-ELECT OF US CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT A METAL FABRICATING PLANT, PREFERABLY A FORGE PLANT.

7. ROY HACKLEY, VICE-PRESIDENT CONTINENTAL OIL, DESIRES APPOINTMENTS WITH GEOMIN DIRECTOR F. SLANINA AND WITH MINISTRY OF MINES INCLUDING MINISTER ALMASAN, SR. DIRECTOR ANTON, AND DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DANILA. RUSH

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